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## 2012 Kodiak Subsistence News Release #01 Emergency Order #4-FS-K-SUB-01-12

Through June 9, 11,996 sockeye salmon have been counted through Afognak River weir. Normally by this date approximately only 35 percent of the escapement has passed the weir. In order to prevent a higher than desired sockeye salmon escapement into Afognak River, closed waters will be reduced to the ADF&G markers located at the stream terminus at Afognak River in the Southeast Afognak Section at 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 11, 2012 until further notice.

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game, under the direction of the Alaska Board of Fisheries, manages sport, commercial, personal use, and state subsistence harvest on all lands and waters throughout Alaska. However, the Federal Subsistence Board assures a subsistence priority for rural residents as provided by Title VIII of ANILCA.

Fishermen are reminded that they should consult both State of Alaska fishing regulations and the Federal Subsistence Management regulations for waters subject to ANILCA Title VIII before fishing.

This news release and fishery restriction has been a coordinated action of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.